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we are settled now in Olympia,
and our little apartment is really
very cozy. I'm watching television
right now, and frying some chicken
for tomorrow night. We are usually
so hungry when we get home from
work that we hate to wait for
something to cook, so it's easier to
warm up something cooked before. Mike
has to go back to work almost
every night and is working week-
ends, although I haven't had to
yet.

I am really like my new job
as secretary to Rep. Shimpock. He
is real nice to work for and
there is plenty for me to do. He
has me answer all his correspondence
and just gives me an idea of what
he wants to say. He is Chairman
of the Appropriations Committee, just
about the most important committee
in the House, so there are lots of
people in there all the time.

I heard Vickie is thinking
of looking for a secretarial job.
I think it is a good idea as
long as teaching jobs are so
scarce. As long as your boss gives
you enough responsibility, I think

office work can be kind of fun.

Of course, there is a big difference in bosses.

It was sure fun seeing you two on your last visit. Mike felt bad for acting so funny New Years Eve, but I knew you'd understand. It was a big disappointment for Mike when Durkan lost and it's taken him a while to really be himself again. But, Mike already has several different new projects he's working on now!

I haven't tried our pool yet, but I think I will this weekend. I went inside the bubble, though, and it's really quite warm.

If you want to write, you can reach me at: Room 435,
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Love,

Mary